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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government are considering to provide additional security force at airports in the country in view of the happenings around the World;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether the Government are considering to create a separate security force for the upkeep of airports and other civil aviation installations in the country ?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI SYED SHAHNAWAZ HUSSAIN)

(a) and (b): After IC-814 hijack incident, aviation securitymeasures were reviewed and important decisions were taken relating to deployment of CISF for airport security, deployment of Sky Marshals on domestic routes of Indian Airlines, introduction of ladder-point checking etc. In the wake of recent happenings in the world in regard to aviation security, it has been further decided to complete the task of deployment of CISF in all operational airports in a timebound manner, extend Sky Marshals to all domestic routes at random basis including on scheduled private airlines, ensure stricter access control and pre-embarkation checks, bring in upgraded technology for perimeter security, further strengthen training of security personnel and take action for increased all round aviation security awareness, including amongst passengers.
(c) CISF is now being entrusted with the responsibility of providing security at all operational airports.